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Title : METHOD FOR IMAGE DESCRIPTION USING COLOR AND LOCAL SPATIAL INFORMATION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

1600 ODS Tower
601 SW Second Avenue
Portland, OR 97204
May 17, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification by inserting the following on page 1,
immediately following the title:

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

A1 This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application
No. 60/250,806, filed December 1, 2000.

Remarks

The applicant claims the benefit of the provisional application
no. 60/250,806, filed December 1, 2000 and respectfully requests amendment of the